Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan —May I know whether the Government has tried to obtain the particulars of question. (a).

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not possible unless a very big survey is made.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Whether Government has done anything to find out the percentage?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—To find it out it will require a special staff who will have to do all the work. At present there is no agency to do this work.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Is the Government aware that it is necessary and has the C. M. and S. O. brought the matter to theGovernment to find out the necessity of the staff and to obtain the percentages?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Up till now no proposal has been sent to the Government.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan—May I know whether it is necessary to bring it to the notice of the Government?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is a matter of opinion. But a good deal has been done to take the percentage of the population of the whole State and examine every individual to see whether he has Tuberculosis, elephentiasis and hook worm diseases and formally a scheme for the improvement of it will require a very big staff which at present is not possible.

Widening Palliviruthi Road.

395. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.— In view of the assurance by the Government to the effect that the widening of the Palliviruthi road will be taken up this year, what action have the Government so far taken in the matter;

(b) are the Government aware that buildings are being constructed on either side of this road;

(c) do not the Government think it advisable to prevent such construction by means of an urgent notification so as to avoid heavy acquisition charges;

(d) have the Government informed the Chairman of the Mattancheri Municipality about their intention of widening this road so that he may not grant permission for such constructions;

(e) if the answer is in the negative, do not the Government think that such prohibitive measures should be taken immediately?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) No assurance of the kind was given. Government do not intend widening the road within Municipal limits owing to high cost of land acquisition. Steps are being taken to widen the road outside the Municipal limits.

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(b) Yes.
(c) No.
(d) No.
(e) No.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—(c) May I know whether the Government has any idea to prevent constructions near the roads?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Whether the Government is aware that if the prevention is not brought, there will be great hardships?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It is likely. But Government cannot put too much restrictions on the people in the matter of constructions by the side of the roads.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Is it not a great loss to the Government if it is not prevented?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The question is not clear whether the Member wishes to prevent the construction within the Municipal limits or outside?

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Within Municipalities and outside. In any case will the Government consider this when a further widening of the road takes place at a later stage?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No objection.

Veterinary Hospital for Mattancheri.

396. **Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state :—(a) in view of the hardships felt by the inhabitants of Mattancheri town and suburbs to take their cattles for treatment to the Veterinary Hospital, Ernakulam, do not the Government think it necessary to locate a Veterinary Hospital at least on a small scale in Mattancheri ;

(b) if the answer is in the affirmative, will Mattancheri be given the benefit of such a hospital as early as possible?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(a) and (b) The Veterinary Inspector at Ernakulam has been specially instructed to visit Mattancheri to give veterinary aid there. Government consider that this arrangement will suffice for the present.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—May I know whether the Veterinary Inspector has inspected—has taken any trouble to know the condition of Mattancheri?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—There has been no report that he has not been doing his duty.

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